

The War in Revelation 12

Continuation

Paranthetical Chapters

Chapters	Period in Parenthesis	Characters Involved
12	Great War in heaven and on earth	The woman (nation Israel), man-child (Jesus Christ), satan and Michael, the remnant
13	Future world ruler and details of his world government	The beast out of the sea (antichrist) and his associate, the beast out of the earth (false prophet)
14	The ultimate triumph of the Lamb (Jesus Christ), the judgment of the wicked	Jesus and the 144,000 Jews mentioned in chapter 7

Important Characters (Revelation Chps 12-14)

- The woman representing Israel (12:1-5)
- The dragon or satan (12:7-17; 13:1-2, 4, 11)
- The Man-child, Christ (12:4-16)
- Michael, representing the angels (12:7-9)
- The remnant of Israel represented by the 144,000 Israelites mentioned in Chapter 7 (7:4-8; 14:1-5)
- The beast out of the sea, the world dictator of the end time (13:1-8)
- The beast out of the earth, a religious leader who is a false prophet and supports the world dictator (13:11-17)

Victory Over Satan

(Revelation 12:9-12)

- And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
- And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.
- And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.
- Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.”

Reasons for the Victory

- First of all, “because of the blood of the Lamb” shed for all their sins. They “washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb” (Revelation 7:14);
- Secondly, through “the word of their testimony”. Despite all the persecution they suffered, they remain faithful witness to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Thirdly, they love not their lives even in the face of death. They are willing to pay the ultimate price for their faith in Jesus Christ.